



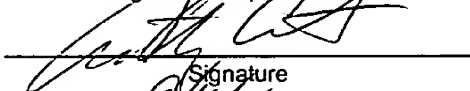
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Case No. 9281-3561

Client Ref. No. J US98110

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Takayuki SUGAWARA, et al.

Serial No. 09/511,931

Filing Date: February 24, 2000

For: DISK DEVICE WITH IMPROVED
ERROR-CORRECTION CAPABILITY

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) Examiner: Baker, Stephen M.
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) Group Art Unit No.: 2133
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PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR § 1.136(a))

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is a petition for an extension of the time to respond to Office Action dated May 21, 2004 for a period of one month.

☒ Applicant:

☐ claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27.

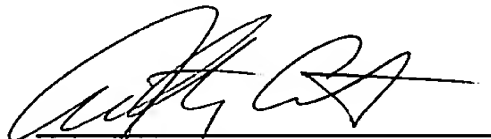
☒ is other than small entity

	<u>Extension Months</u>	<u>Other Than Small Entity</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	One Month	\$110.00	\$55.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Two Months	\$420.00	\$210.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Three Months	\$950.00	\$475.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Four Months	\$1,480.00	\$740.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Five Months	\$2,010.00	\$1,005.00

Fee Payment

- ☒ Attached is a check for **\$110** for the Petition fee.
- ☐ Attached is a credit card authorization form for \$_____ for the Petition fee.
- ☐ Charge Petition fee to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.
- ☒ Charge any additional fee required or credit for any excess fee paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.

Respectfully submitted,



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Dated: September 16, 2004

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